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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Appl. No. 10/534,420

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For: Image Signal Processing Circuit and

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PETITION TO RESET TIME PERIOD FOR REPLY DUE TO LATE RECEIPT OF OFFICE NOTICE

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P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on

August 9, 2006
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Signature Date

Dear Sir:

A Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 USC 371 was apparently mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on January 9, 2006, setting a two month period for submission of a Declaration of the inventors. As of July 31, 2006, however, applicant had not received the Notification by mail. Upon inquiring the PTO of the status of the above referenced application on July 31, 2006, it was first discovered that the PTO had mistakenly mailed the Notification to the wrong party due to a transposition error of the customer number on PTO's part.

APPLICANT HEREBY REQUESTS AND PETITIONS THAT THE PERIOD FOR RESPONSE TO THE NOTIFICATION BE RESET, THE ADDRESS BE CORRECTED, AND THAT THE ENCLOSED DECLARATION OF THE INVENTORS BE ACCEPTED AS A TIMELY RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE.

At the time of the initial filing of this application on May 5, 2005, applicant identified the correspondence address for this application as the address associated with customer number 26021 (see attached Application Transmittal Sheet). The Notification of Missing Requirements (see attached) was sent to the address associated with customer number 26061. Applicant only recently became aware of the existence of the Notification in the course of a routine status check with the PTO. Applicant first received a faxed copy of the original Notification on July 31, 2006, and has yet to receive a copy in the mail. This petition, and the required

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Reply to the outstanding Notification attached hereto, are being filed within two weeks of the applicant's actual receipt (by facsimile from the USPTO) of the Notification.

A Declaration of John P. Scherlacher is attached that describes and shows in detail the circumstances and evidence supporting the grant of this petition.

Applicant further notes that it has received no Notice of Abandonment of this application, and that there is no indication on PAIR that the application has been abandoned. In view of this, and in view of the fact that applicant never received the Notification of Missing Requirements by mail, applicant believes that a Petition to Reset the Time Period for Response is the appropriate remedial action. However, should the Office deny this petition and hold the application to be abandoned, the attached declaration establishes beyond doubt that such abandonment was unavoidable and unintentional, and if necessary applicant intends to proceed with a petition for revival on these grounds should the instant petition be denied.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee due in connection with the filing, consideration and grant of this petition to our Deposit Account No. 50-1314. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

HOGANI& HARTSON L,L.P.

Date: August 9, 2006

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Enclosures: (4)

- 1. Copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371
- 2. Declaration of John P. Scherlacher
- 3. Copy of Application Transmittal Sheet
- 4. Petition for Extension of Time

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26061 **RONNIE ALBERT YOUNG** P.O. BOX 2411 **DOWNEY, CA 90242**

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- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 05/05/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 05/05/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 05/05/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees (fled on 05/05/2005)
- Priority Documents filed on 05/05/2005

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371;

 Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), Identifying the application by the international application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER, FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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DECLARATION OF JOHN P. SCHERLACHER

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> I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted via facsimile to (571) 273-8300: Mail Stop Petitions Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on August 9, 2006 Date of Deposit Nancy Noien Name de e 08/09/06 Signatuye Date

I, JOHN P. SCHERLACHER, declare as follows:

- I am a registered patent attorney and a counsel in the law firm of 1. Hogan & Hartson LLP, which is responsible for prosecuting this patent application.
- This application was filed on May 5, 2005 without a signed declaration . 2. of the inventors Tomomichi NAKAI and Toshio NAKAKUKI.
- The docketing department of our office generates a docket report each 3. day for each attorney listing all cases for which that attorney is responsible and any deadlines or status checks that are due that day. Each attorney is required to review each entry, make a notation as to the status of each entry, and return the report to the docketing department for appropriate action by the end of the day.
- My daily docket report for November 4, 2005 is attached as Exhibit A. 4. On November 4, 2005, this application appeared on my docket report, at page 2, for a routine PAIR status check. I noticed that the PTO had not yet mailed a filing receipt for the application. Therefore, I indicated that nothing was new and that the matter could be advanced for next status check.

- 5. My daily docket report for July 5, 2006 is attached as Exhibit B. On July 5, 2006, this application appeared again on my daily docket report, page 1. By this time, fourteen months had elapsed since the initial filing date and no record indicated that a filing receipt was ever received from the PTO. Therefore, I instructed my assistant Ms. Rebecca Maiden to investigate the matter.
- 6. A copy of our internal memorandum dated July 31, 2006 is attached as Exhibit C. After numerous unsuccessful attempts to reach the PTO, on July 31, 2006, my assistant, Ms. Rebecca Maiden finally reached PTO employee Mr. Jim Lisehora at (571) 272-8180 who discovered that a Notice of Missing Parts document was inadvertently addressed to another law firm and was mailed on January 9, 2006. The details of the communications between Ms. Maiden and Mr. Lisehora are described in the memorandum.
- 7. Upon our request, the PTO provided a copy of the incorrectly mailed Notification via facsimile. A copy of the Notification is provided here as Exhibit D. The Notification indicates that it was mailed on January 9, 2006 to customer number 26061, Ronine Albert Young at P.O. Box 2411, Downey, CA 90242. Shortly after receiving the facsimile on July 31, 2006, our docketing department had docketed the document on August 2, 2006 for attorney review.
- 8. As of this date, our office has still not received the Notification of Missing Requirements by mail. The first date that the Notification was available to us for review and preparation of an appropriate reply was July 31, 2006.
- 9. Our office has not received a Notice of Abandonment, and there is no indication on PAIR that the application is abandoned or that a Notice of Abandonment was mailed.
- 10. In view of these circumstances, we immediately initiated an investigation of our docketing and mail records in order to gather evidence in support of a petition to reset the time period for response to the outstanding

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Notification. Our investigation uncovered no record or evidence of any kind that the Notification of Missing Requirements was ever received by our office.

- 11. I have searched the file jacket and docket records and found no indication or other evidence that the Notification was ever received.
- 12. I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies of fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1314. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Date: August 9, 2006

John P. Scherlacher Registration No. 23,009 Attorney for Applicant(s)

500 South Grand Avenue, Suite 1900

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PATENT ACTIONS DUE REPORT by Working Attorney

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MEMORANDUM

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FROM:

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RE:

Status Update

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After numerous dropped calls, I finally got through to a knowledgeable person at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) who was able to give me (what I believe) accurate information regarding the status of this pending patent application.

Since the filing of a PCT application on May 5, 2005 and the PTO's failure to send a filing receipt, I called the PTO for an updated status report.

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to file a petition stating this error so that a Notice to File Missing Part could possibly be re-issued to help avoid paying an EOT fee when responding to the Notice To File Missing Parts. We also have to submit a corrected

After thoroughly researching the file, Mr. Lisehora sent a fax confirming his prior instructions that we are to follow.

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